(c) if so, what were the outcome of the conference;

(d) whether AIIMS has been asked to keep tabs on medical errors;

(e) whether AIIMS become the first Government hospital in the country to implement patient safety programmes;

(f) whether there is a need to keep record of all wrong surgeries as well as other medical parameters should also be checked; and

(g) if so, to what extent it will be helpful?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The outcome was to sensitise key personnel in decision-making capacity so as to bring about a scientific change in the way these facilities are being conceptualized as on day. The conference provided an integrated platform for exchange of ideas, innovations and practices amongst all stakeholders.

(d) and (e) The All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi has been keeping tabs on medical error through Medical Audit Committee and Death Committee which are regularly convened. Instructions have been issued from Director General of Health Services for formation of Patient Safety Committees in Government hospitals to monitor the patients safety challenges through Safe Clinical Practice, Safe Injection and Immunization, Blood Safety and Safe Health Care Waste Management.

(f) and (g) Yes, Sir. There is a definite need to maintain the record of all the surgeries to keep track of human error, if any, for improved results in future.

Patient safety programme of AIIMS

2108.SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether AIIMS has implemented a patient safety programme at its Cardio, Thoracic and Vascular Surgery (CTVS) centre;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government proposes to introduce this programme to other Government hospitals in the country for proper planning and designing of speciality healthcare facilities, for safe hospitals and patient safety; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The All India Institute of Medical Sciences has reported that 'patient safety programme' has been implemented in Cardio Thoracic and Vascular Surgery (CTVS), as per the existing guidelines while providing treatment.

(c) and (d) A meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Director General of Health Services (DGHS) on 14.1.2008 regarding Patient Safety Challenges through Safe Clinical Practice, Safe Injection and Immunization, Blood Safety and Safe Health Care Waste Management and instructions have been issued for formation of Patient Safety Committee in Government hospitals to monitor the safety of patients.